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1. (Confidential - JMM) Called Senator Henry Jackson to say that we had received his letter of 30 November requesting the Director's appearance before his Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs at 10:30 a.m. on 11 December to provide a background briefing on the Middle East and the international energy situation. Senator Jackson indicated that this hearing had been scheduled by Bill Van Ness, of the Committee staff, while the Senator was out of the country and it would not be necessary for the Director himself to appear if some other Agency officer could cover the subject. He suggested Jim Critchfield could do this, and explained that they would like the Agency's assessment of the political and economic 25X1

Senator Jackson asked about stories of the Director's resignation, and I told him I only knew what I had seen in the papers. He said he was going to Texas today and would return Thursday and would be glad to see the Director any time thereafter.

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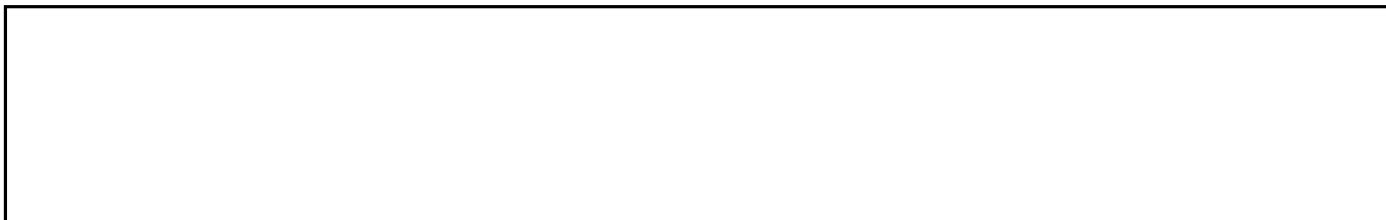
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2. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who said that Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Operations Subcommittee, had left him a message about setting up a hearing on the intelligence community. I explained that Nedzi had told us that he did not wish to hear further from the Agency, since this had been fully taken care of during his Headquarters visit. I said Nedzi had told me Friday that he wanted to get someone from the National Security Council staff and a witness from the Defense Department. This apparently surprised Slatinshek who had understood Nedzi wanted to have an Agency witness. Slatinshek asked who from the NSC staff would be a qualified witness. I said I didn't know of anyone on the NSC staff itself who followed intelligence community matters as a primary responsibility and felt that Gerard Burke, Executive Secretary of PFIAB would be a more knowledgeable spokesman from the White House point of view.

I told Slatinshek that since we had covered the community problem rather fully during Nedzi's visit to Headquarters, we would like to cover the same ground with Slatinshek at his convenience and we agreed that he, Tom Parrott and I would meet in his office at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow for this purpose.

3. (Confidential - JMM) Lunched with John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, who said Seymour Hersh of the New York Times had called on him to get material about the Agency. Goldsmith said he had been unresponsive, but Hersh indicated he was engaged in an ambitious project putting the whole intelligence community under critical scrutiny.



5. (Internal Use Only - GLC) In response to his call, picked up some documents from Jack Norpel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, for delivery to [redacted] Security.

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6. [] Had lunch with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee. []

Woodruff asked if there was anything I could tell him about speculations in the press that Mr. Helms was leaving the Agency. I told him there was nothing I could give him on this but, as he well knew, if something was in the offing any announcement on it would have to come from the White House. It was interesting that during lunch General "Hap" Arnold's son dropped by our table and asked Woodruff if there was any truth to the rumor that he might be accepting a position in the Pentagon. Woodruff said there were rumors to this effect, but said he thought he had the "quietest telephone in town."

I brought Woodruff up-to-date on a number of current intelligence items that have developed since 14 November.

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7. [] Maury [] met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee. He asked about the press stories saying that Mr. Helm's would be leaving the Agency and we told him that we could not confirm these stories but as he well knew the President was making a number of changes in his Administration and all announcements on these changes were coming from the White House. Braswell commented that if Mr. Helms does leave as Director we can expect a certain amount of "flack" from the Hill, especially from people like Senator Symington. 25X1

We asked Braswell whether he expected Chairman Stennis to be in town any time soon and he said the Chairman's travel between Mississippi and Washington was completely unpredictable, but he had no indication the Senator plans to be in town in the near future. In response to a question from us he said he does not expect the Director to be called on by the Chairman for a briefing before 15 February, but this could always change.

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8. [] Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, said he would like to be brought up-to-date by means of a "strategic briefing" some time this month (other than a Friday) and added he would be willing to come to Headquarters to avoid asking our people to make a special trip to the Hill. I told him I would check with our people and set something up on this shortly.

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9. (Unclassified - GLC) Hand-carried to the office of Representative Charles E. Bennett (D., Fla.) a personnel letter from Mr. Maury involving one of the Congressman's constituents.

10. (Confidential - JGO) Talked to Mr. Robert Blum, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Research Assistant, and told him that the complete package of documents selected by him is awaiting final determination for release by the Director. I told him that unfortunately other matters had interfered with the Director and Mr. Colby's schedules and it may be several days before final determination is made. I told Blum I would call him as soon as I have further information for him.

11. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Talked to Mr. George Fisher, Administrative Assistant to Representative Olin E. Teague (D., Texas), who is Chairman of the Democratic Caucus. Mr. Fisher told me that Representative Les Aspin is due back in the city Monday, 11 December.

12. (Confidential - JGO) Received a call from Mr. Robert Boyer, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, who told me that the staff report on narcotics in Indochina will be going to the printers this evening. It was noted that a map furnished the Committee designating insurgency areas in Burma is classified secret. Mr. Boyer asked if this could be replaced by a similar map which is unclassified. I asked him to note the question and that I would see if an appropriate map could be inserted when we review the galley proofs. [REDACTED] 25X1

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